

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of	)	FLOURESCENT SILICA-BASED
	)	NANOPARTICLES
Wiesner et al.	)	
	)	
Serial No. 10/536,569	)	Group Art Unit:
	)	
Filed: 5/26/06	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend the above identified application, as follows: